



## **2011 Winter Conference North Bend, Oregon**

### **RESOLUTION #11 - 14**

#### **“DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBAL LEADERSHIP PAPER ON TRANSPORTATION POLICY”**

### **PREAMBLE**

We, the members of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) are representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and specific tribal concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, ATNI is a regional organization comprised of American Indians/Alaska Natives and tribes in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, Northern California, and Alaska; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of ATNI; and

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**WHEREAS,** ATNI adopted Resolution #08-47 “Support for the NCAI-ITA Tribal Leadership Paper on Tribal Transportation Policy” with attachments on May 15, 2008; and

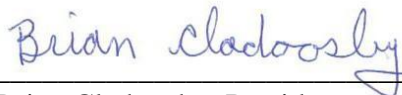
**WHEREAS,** the United States Congress has yet to complete work on a transportation reauthorization; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that ATNI recognizes that consideration of transportation reauthorization by the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress is imminent and it is imperative that ATNI produce a comprehensive Tribal Leadership Paper on Transportation Policy; and

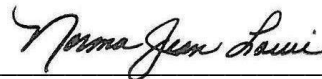
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that ATNI hereby directs the Transportation Committee to prepare a Tribal Leadership Paper on Transportation Policy for consideration at its Mid-Year Conference.

**CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2011 Winter Conference of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, held at The Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park, North Bend, Oregon on January 30 – February 3, 2011 with a quorum present.



Brian Cladoosby, President



Norma Jean Louie, Secretary